

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as indicated below.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 7 with the following amended paragraph:

In recent years, the accessibility to and provision of information and content such as TV programs programmes, film, music and books, etc. have increased explosively. The information and content may today be provided from many different sources, and the variety and availability of content has increased substantially.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 1 with the following amended paragraph:

One area where recommenders have been implemented is in Private Video Recorders (PVRs). A typical PVR comprises a hard disk for recording content items such as TV programs programmes. The PVR further comprises a recommender, which records and recommends TV programmes programs to the user in accordance with a user profile. The user profile is built up over time to match the user's viewing habits, and the profile is specifically generated from specific user input related to the preference for a given programme program as well as from detecting which programmes programs are selected for viewing by the user of the PVR.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 11 with the following amended paragraph:

For example, as the user profile is built up over a significant time, it tends to become relatively static, and modifications and updates can only gradually be incorporated. Furthermore, the user profile is determined in response to the user's preference for selected programmes programs. However, as the user typically selects

items recommended to him from the content, the update information available for the user profile is typically limited to content already recommended. Thus, the content recommendation will tend to become more and more narrow with only content of a limited range being recommended. This further inhibits dynamic changes and thus results in a static and narrow recommendation being provided to the user.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 1 with the following amended paragraph:

A user preference profile may thus be updated from a temporary user preference profile. The temporary preference profile may be used to test content items not directly matching the user's current preference profile, thereby allowing an increased flexibility and possibility of improved dynamic performance. Specifically, the temporary user preference profile may allow alternative and/or additional preferences to be tested, and if suitable to be added to the user preference profile. Thus, a widening mechanism may be introduced to the user preference profile, thereby opposing the narrowing effect caused by a limited recommendation of content for preference evaluation. The content items may be, for example, TV programmes programs, video clips, audio clips, radio programmes programs, music clips, multimedia clips or any other suitable content items. The content item interest may be determined in response to a user behaviour such as a behaviour related to a selection of content items.

Please replace the paragraph beginning one page 6, line 20 with the following amended paragraph:

The following description focuses on an embodiment of the invention applicable to a Private Video Recorder (PVR) comprising a recommender. However, it will be apparent that the invention is not limited to this application but may be applied to many other applications including recommenders for radio programme program content or Internet content.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 26 with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 1 is an illustration of a private video recorder (PVR) 101 comprising a recommender in accordance with an embodiment of the invention. The PVR 101 comprises a content receiver 103. The content receiver 103 receives content items from one or more suitable content item sources. In the preferred embodiment, the content receiver 103 mainly receives content by way of TV programmes programs broadcast in a suitable way.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 31 with the following amended paragraph:

However, in the preferred embodiment, the content receiver is further capable of receiving content from a plurality of various content sources. Thus, the content receiver receives content items in the form of video, audio and multimedia clips and programmes programs. Specifically, TV programmes programs are received from terrestrial radio broadcasts as well as from a digital cable connection. Likewise, radio programmes programs are received from conventional analogue radio transmissions as well as from digital radio broadcasts received through a cable connection. The content receiver capable of receiving a plurality of content items from various sources may simply be implemented as the combination of a plurality of independent content receiver elements, where each element is dedicated to receiving content items of a specific nature from a specific source.